Executive Proclamation
State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, Colonel Leslie J. Wermers' dedication to service has made him a valuable asset to this state and country; and,

Whereas, We have very few occasions to recognize the patriotic individuals for their service to this state and country; and,

Whereas, Colonel Wermers has devoted more than 35 years of his life to the service of his country and directly affecting the soldiers of the South Dakota National Guard dedicating himself to the assistance of soldiers as the Deputy Chief of Staff for Logistics, with many years of support to the Engineer Corps, Golden Coyote Exercises, mobilization training and service in support of Operation Desert Shield/Operation Desert Storm and Operation Iraqi Freedom; and,

Whereas, His loyalty and leadership have made him a cornerstone in the Armed Forces of this country; and,

Whereas, Colonel Wermers continues to give of himself; and,

Whereas, It is fitting and proper as Governor to commend Colonel Leslie J. Wermers for more than 35 years of dedicated and outstanding service to this state and country:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim August 26, 2010, as

COLONEL LESLIE J. WERMERS DAY

in South Dakota, and I join with his family and friends in wishing him well in his retirement and thanking him for his service to the state of South Dakota and to the United States of America.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Fourth Day of August in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Ten.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State